Junior Counselor Application Summer 2017

Please return this application on or before April 14, 2017. Positions are filled on a first-come-first-serve basis. Orientation will be held June 13-15, 2017. Junior Counselors will be required to <u>complete CPR/First Aid training</u>, <u>attend orientation week</u> and be <u>available to volunteer for</u> a minimum of two camp sessions.

Return completed applications to: **GRPD** Junior Counselor Program PO Box 7207 Greenville, NC 27835 **Personal Information Applicant Name** Parent Name Parent Email Address Parent Phone Number Date of Birth Age I am available to volunteer the following camp sessions (check all that apply) *2 week minimum, 4 week maximum* ☐ June 19-23 ☐ June 26-30 ☐ July 5-7 (No Camp July 3rd & 4th) ☐ July 10-14 ☐ July 17-21 ☐ July 24-28 ☐ July 31-August 4 ☐ August 7-11 ☐ August 14-18 I am available to volunteer at the following camps (check at least 3) ☐ Sports Plus Camp at H. Boyd Lee Park ☐ Jamboree Camp at South Greenville Recreation Center ☐ Eppes Summer Camp at Eppes Recreation Center ☐ Playground Program at Greenfield Terrace Park ☐ GAFC Summer Camp at the Greenville Aquatics & Fitness Center ☐ Camp Escape at the Drew Steele Center ☐ Arts & Crafts Summer Camps at Jaycee Park

☐ Nature Camps at River Park North

☐ Tennis Programs at River Birch Tennis Center

1. Why would you like to be a Junior Counselor?
2. What responsibilities would you like to have as a Junior Counselor?
3. What previous work or life experience do you have that will help you in this role?
4. What are characteristics of a good leader?

Please answer the following questions.

Frequently Asked Questions

1. What is the Junior Counselor program?

The Junior Counselor program allows teens between the ages of 14-17 years old the opportunity to develop their leadership skills as they assist summer camp staff in daily operations of camp. Junior Counselors are included in all aspects of camp and have the chance to develop new skills such as communication, conflict resolution, problem-solving and project leadership.

2. Who can apply to be a Junior Counselor?

Anyone between the ages 14-17 (age as of June 13, 2017) wanting to gather work experience before moving into the more demanding role of summer camp counselor.

3. Why should I apply?

The Junior Counselor Program is fun and rewarding! Not only will participants be involved in helping plan, set-up and implement camp activities, they'll also serve as a role model for young campers. The Junior Counselor program will build relationships that last a lifetime; while also strengthening leadership abilities and developing valuable job skills.

4. How does the application process work for becoming a Junior Counselor?

Those interested in becoming a Junior Counselor must complete the Junior Counselor application. Applications are due on or before **Friday, April 14, 2017**. Chosen applicants will be interviewed and a limited number of candidates will be selected for the program. Once selected, participants will complete a three day orientation and then volunteer opportunities will be available June 19 - August 18 with our day camps.

5. What/when is orientation?

Training will be held June 13-15 at Elm Street Center from 9:00am-12:00pm each day. Training will consist of techniques to facilitate activities and group games, proper supervision methods, team building activities and hands on experience with our day camps. Attendance at orientation week is **mandatory** for all Junior Counselor's to volunteer at camps.

6. When is CPR/First Aid Training?

Greenville Recreation and Parks will provide two training sessions; dates TBA. The CPR/First Aid certification is valid for two years. If you cannot attend either session, you will be responsible for obtaining your own CPR/First Aid certification before the start of orientation.

7. What are the fees for being a Junior Counselor?

The fee for this program is \$90 (cost includes t-shirt, field trips with camps, American Red Cross Child/Adult CPR & First Aid certifications)

Discounted Greenville Resident Fee: \$60

Contact Dennis Vestal at (252) 329-4550 <u>dvestal@greenvillenc.gov</u> if you have additional questions.